



NORWICH
City Council

Responses to (Acting) Returning Officers Initial Proposals

Norwich Labour Party

Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations

Norwich Labour Party comments on the Draft ARO's Proposals

Norwich Labour Party would offer the following comments on the ARO's draft proposals:

Bowthorpe Ward

We fully support the proposals

Catton Grove Ward

We would propose that the boundary between the CG2 and CG4 polling districts should be from north to south, run down the middle of Beech Drive until it runs parallel with the north east corner of Catton Grove Primary School. Then run along the northern boundary of Catton Grove Primary School until it reaches the middle of Weston Road nearest to the north western boundary of Catton Grove Primary School, then run southwards down the middle of Weston Road.

We would also propose that the boundary between CG2 and CG3 along the Aylsham Road shall be by the public footpath running to Palmer Road, thereby leaving Copenhagen Way within the CG3 polling district.

The Box on Woodcock Road might be a suitable polling station for CG2

Crome Ward

We fully support the proposals.

Eaton Ward

We support the proposals.

Lakenham Ward

We would propose that Arkwrights Social Club on Hobart Square should be used as the polling station for LA3, LA3A and LA3B

Mancroft Ward

We generally support the proposals but would offer the following:

Chantry House has never been considered a suitable venue and we believe that consideration should be given to moving the polling station for MA3 to City Hall with the entrance through the old registry office door, which has an accessible ramp.

We believe that MA4 and MA4A should no longer share a polling station with Thorpe Hamlet and that ideally a polling station should be found within the polling district.

Mile Cross Ward

We would like to see a polling station located within the MX3 Polling District. We would also propose that the area south of the Drayton Road and east of Mile Cross Road should be included within the MX1 polling district. We also believe that you may be mixing the Travellers site with the Showman's Guild site which we believe to be on Hooper Lane within Catton Grove Ward

Nelson Ward

We generally support the proposals though we would wish to see a polling station located within the NE4 Polling District, possibly using the Heigham Park pavilion.

Sewell Ward

We support the proposals and agree that a new polling station be identified for SE4.

Thorpe Hamlet Ward

We support the proposals

Town Close Ward

We believe a polling station should be identified for TC5 which is located within the polling district.

University Ward

Whilst we have doubts as to the need for 6 polling districts we make no alternative proposals at this time..

Wensum Ward

We would support the proposals.

Alan Pawsey
Agent
Norwich Labour Party
24th July 2019

Clive Lewis MP

Clive Lewis MP Polling Districts Review Submission

Dear Sir

In regard to the public consultation as to proposed changes to polling districts, as at present I have the following suggestions.

Firstly that it is important that the MA4 Polling District has its own separate polling station. The MA2 polling district should be split into two along the inner ring road, with a polling station within each new polling district.

Secondly as to the proposed boundary of the CG2 polling district, I propose that the boundary between the CG2 and CG4 polling districts should be from north to south, run down the middle of Beech Drive until it runs parallel with the north east corner of Catton Grove Primary School. Then runs along the northern boundary of Catton Grove Primary School until it reaches the middle of Weston Road nearest to the north western boundary of Catton Grove Primary School, then run southwards down the middle of Weston Road.

The boundary between CG2 and CG3 along the Aylsham Road shall be by the public footpath running to Palmer Road, thereby keeping Copenhagen Way within the CG3 polling district.

I would like if possible a polling station located within the LA3 Polling District.

I would like if possible a polling station located within the NE4 Polling District (possibly Heigham Park pavilion).

I would like if possible a polling station located within the TC5 Polling District.

I would like if possible a polling station located within the MX3 Polling District. I propose that the area south of the Drayton Road and east of Mile Cross Road should be included within the MX1 polling district.

Yours sincerely



Clive Lewis MP
Labour MP for Norwich South

Norwich City Council Labour Group

I enclose the revised Labour Group submission on the Polling district review. You will also receive a very similar response, from the Norwich Labour Party and from Clive Lewis's office. A written copy of this submission is in the internal post

Norwich City Council Labour Group

Wednesday 17th July 2019

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Yours Sincerely

Councillor Paul Kendrick, Secretary Norwich City Council Labour Group

Norwich Green Party

Hello Stuart,

Please see below Nelson Green Party comments on Nelson boundaries for polling district.:

The Green Party supports the new boundaries between NE2, NE3 and NE4. The proposals are a good rationalisation and serve to make the three districts more equal in size.

In addition we would suggest that the stretch of houses on the North side of Earlham Road between Edinburgh Road and up to the boundary with UN5A be moved from NE1 to NE2. This is because the NE2 polling station in Recreation Road is much nearer them than the Belvedere Centre. There is also one house, newly converted for residential use, The South Lodge, which has an Earlham Road address, up the Cemetery driveway which might also appropriately be included.

Thank you for your work here – it has really tidied up the polling districts for Nelson ward.

Kind regards, Denise

Cllr Denise Carlo

Councillor Ian Stutely, Town Close Ward

I am reminded that I need to present recommendations for Town Close by today.

There are no suggestions to change the polling districts from the proposed. All four councillors agree that, in the absence of a suitable venue within the new TC5, our preference and priority for a polling station is to deploy a mobile unit. I really hope this is possible as this area has such a low turnout.

We considered the following:

The Kings Arms Pub: This would provide a good location but it is felt that some residents may not wish to enter a pub due to religious or other reasons

A shop along Hall Road: Quickly dismissed as too small

The Scout Hut on Rowington Road. This is quite close to the current venue and accessibility along an uneven track could be a problem.

The ideal location for a mobile unit is a patch of council owned ground at the Southwell Road end of Trafalgar Road although it currently prohibits vehicular traffic with concrete posts. These are in a poor condition and could benefit from replacement. The location would allow easy access from all areas of the PD.

Kind regards

Ian

Cllr Ian Stutely

Labour City Councillor for Town Close Ward
Norwich City Council